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September 29, 2006

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RE: Alaska Certification of Support for Rural and Non-Rural High-Cost Carriers Pursuant to 47 C.F.R Sections 54.313-314, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 00-256

Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Majcher:

The Regulatory Commission of Alaska (Alaska Commission) hereby certifies that to the best of our knowledge and belief, all federal high cost support provided to rural economically regulated carriers in this state will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This includes High Cost Loop (HCL) support and Local Switching Support (LSS), and high cost support received pursuant to the purchase of exchanges. No companies in Alaska receive High Cost Model (HCM) support.

Below is a list of rural carriers certified as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers by the Alaska Commission pursuant to sections 54.314 of the FCC's rules (47 C.F.R. § 54.314), which require states to establish an annual certification process for rural carriers receiving federal high cost support. As requested by the Universal Service Administrative Company, listed beside each carrier is its assigned study area code (SAC), if known.

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ETCs subject to annual certification under 47 C.F.R. 54.314(a)	Service Area Description or NECA Code	ETC Type	
ACS of Alaska, Inc.	Greatland - 613022 Juneau - 613012	ILEC	Rural
ACS of Fairbanks, Inc.	Fairbanks - 613008	ILEC	Rural
ACS of the Northland, Inc.	Glacier State - 613010 Sitka - 613020	ILEC	Rural
ACS Wireless, Inc.	Fairbanks - 613008 Glacier State - 613010 Juneau - 613012 MTA - 613015 Greatland - 613022 Ketchikan Public Utilities area Copper Valley Telephone Coop. Inc.	Wireless	Rural
Adak Eagle Enterprises d/b/a Adak Telephone Utility	610989	ILEC	Rural
Alaska Digitel, LLC	MTA area - 613015	Wireless	Rural
Alaska Telephone Company (ATC)	613017 (all exchanges served, including previous GTE exchanges)	ILEC	Rural
Bettles Telephone, Inc.	613002	ILEC	Rural
Bristol Bay Cellular Partnership	Bristol Bay Telephone Coop. Inc. - 613003 Nushagak - 613018	Wireless	Rural
Bush-Tell, Inc.	613004	ILEC	Rural
Copper Valley Telephone Cooperative, Inc. (CVTC)	613006	ILEC	Rural
Copper Valley Wireless, Inc.	CVTC area - 613006	Wireless	Rural
Cordova Wireless Communications, Inc.	Cordova Telephone Coop., Inc.	Wireless	Rural

ETCs subject to annual certification under 47 C.F.R. 54.314(a) (con't)	Service Area Description or NECA Code	ETC Type	
		Wireless	Rural
Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. and Dobson Cellular Systems of Alaska, LLC ¹	CVTC area - 613006 Fairbanks - 613008 Glacier State - 613010 Juneau - 613012 MTA area - 613015 ATC area - 613017 (all exchanges) Greatland - 613022 City of Ketchikan, Ketchikan Public Utilities area		
GCI Communication Corp.	Fairbanks - 613008 Juneau - 613012 Greatland - 613022	CLEC	Rural
Interior Telephone Company, Inc.	613011 (all exchanges served, including previous GTE areas of Seward/Moose Pass)	ILEC	Rural
Matanuska Telephone Association, Inc. (MTA)	613015	ILEC	Rural
MTA Communications, Inc. d/b/a MTA Wireless	MTA area - 613015	Wireless	Rural
Mukluk Telephone Company, Inc.	613016 (all exchanges served, including previous GTE exchange of Nome)	ILEC	Rural
North Country Telephone, Inc.	613026	ILEC	Rural
OTZ Telephone Cooperative, Inc.	613019	ILEC	Rural
Summit Telephone and Telegraph Company of Alaska, Inc.	613028	ILEC	Rural
United Utilities, Inc. (UUI)	613023, UUI certificated service area	ILEC	Rural
United-KUC, Inc.	613023, United-KUC certificated service area	ILEC	Rural
Yukon Telephone Company	613025	ILEC	Rural

¹ Please note: Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. (Dobson) is an ETC in Alaska. Dobson has approval to transfer its ETC status to Dobson Cellular Systems of Alaska, LLC (Dobson Ak) upon completion of a reorganization and transfer of assets expected to occur September 29, 2006. To ensure funding is not affected by the transfer, both companies are listed here in this certification.

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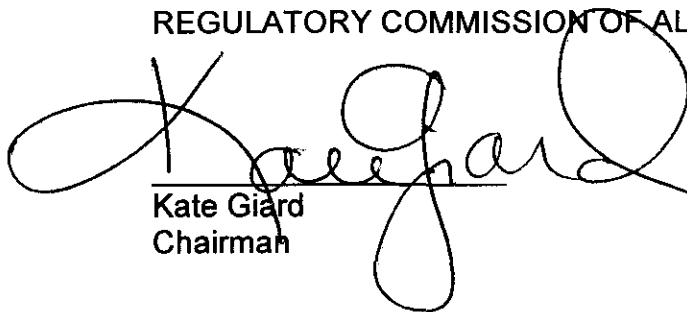
Our agency does not economically regulate the Arctic Slope Telephone Association Cooperative, Inc., Bristol Bay Telephone Cooperative, Inc., Circle Telephone, Cordova Telephone, Ketchikan Public Utilities, and Nushagak Electric and Telephone Cooperative. Our certification does not cover non-regulated wireline service areas and each carrier is responsible for self-certifying its compliance with Section 54.314(b) for such areas.

We have included wireless ETCs on our list of carriers even though these carriers are not economically regulated by the Alaska Commission. We have done so as we directed the companies to file annual certifications with us concerning their use of funds and we plan to regularly review their responses in this area. These companies should be filing individual certifications with the FCC concerning the use of funds by a non-regulated entity.

Our certification does not preclude us from reviewing in further detail how any carrier has employed its federal universal service funds and ordering that use of funds comply with our directives or policies. Our decision does not bind us in future or pending rate cases and we reserve the right to conclude that a company should employ its universal service funding differently than it does today or in the future in light of better data or a more detailed review.

Sincerely,

REGULATORY COMMISSION OF ALASKA

A large, stylized handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kate Giard', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

Kate Giard
Chairman

**Federal Communications Commission**

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